

## Strategic Sector Cooperation Denmark-Bangladesh

### Improving the Health and Safety of Workers in Bangladesh through the Strengthening of Labour Authorities

#### Secretary visits Copenhagen

Secretary Ali Azam, Inspector General Shib Nath Roy, and three more colleagues from the Ministry of Labour and Employment MoLE visited Copenhagen in the end of September. The delegation had meetings with the DG of Danish Working Environment Authority (DWEA) Soeren Kryhmand, Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Employment Jakob Jensen, they meet staff members from the DWEA OSH Advisory Center and they had a presentation of the Danish Research Center for the Working Environment.



*The delegation also visited Danish construction sites and the company Haldor Topsoe, where they met managers and safety representatives (photo).*

#### DIFE managers visit DWEA – the “Danish DIFE”

A group of 6 DIG's from DIFE has been joining a management training in Aalborg University in Copenhagen. As a part of this, they visited DWEA one day, where they met their Danish management colleagues and heard about management practise in DWEA. Training for more DIFE DIG's will start up in the autumn 2020 in Bangladesh.



*The group of DIFE DIG's with professor Peter Hasle and Elsebeth.*

#### DIFE internal training program DIFE2DIFE is ongoing

DIFE master trainers are now busy with training of all their colleagues on OSH (DIFE2DIFE). The inspectors are trained in machinery safety, ergonomics, chemical safety and accident prevention. It is the intention, that DIFE hereafter will have a stronger focus on these OSH topics.



*Raju Barua is teaching ergonomics with great enthusiasm.*

#### Inspection Guidelines are now printed and in use

Inspection Guidelines in the fields of ergonomics, machinery safety, chemical safety, accident prevention and construction safety are now printed and in use. They are introduced to the DIFE inspectors during the DIFE2DIFE training.



#### Plan for Quarter 4- 2019:

1. DIFE2DIFE training continuation.
2. Boiler safety – module 3 – pilot training.
3. Launch and initiation of Targeted Inspections of construction sector by 20 inspectors from Dhaka District.
4. OSH course (4 days) for RMG factories.
5. OSH course in Aalborg University (6 weeks) for 8 DIFE inspectors.